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Statement from Public Safety Director Judge Jimmie Edwards

Judge Edwards initiated a telephone conversation with circuit Attorney Gardener on Friday to pledge cooperation and to encourage open communication between her office and the police department.

It is in everyone's best interest that the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department and the Circuit Attorney's Office work together to keep dangerous criminals off the street.

The Police Department is committed to presenting good cases to the Circuit Attorney's Office for prosecution.

The Circuit Attorney's Office has not provided specifics as to why certain officers are on her exclusion list. We do know that several of the officers on the list have not worked for the Police Department for some time, dating back to 2016.

I am confident that the Circuit Attorney's Office and the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department will work together as we move forward.

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Jimmie M. Edwards
Director
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